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It was a bitter day in January 1936 when Mr. & Mrs. Louis Nicolin opened the door to their new home at 8 North Elmhurst Road. Their desire to escape the congestion of the city living was sufficiently strong to carry them through the first difficult years of roughing it in pioneer Prospect Heights. Local water, telephone service, mail delivery, police protection, adequate transportation -- these were only a few of the city comforts not to be found in early Prospect Heights.

As the thirties progressed, more families departed the city to share in the rural and rigorous lifestyle of the Nicolins. Old-timers recall the days of communal outhouses and cramped quarters as they were forced to set up household in garages and attics while awaiting completion of their new homes. The area at the corner of Camp McDonald and Elm Street where the new community center now stands provided some illumination for these early residents before power was brought in. The entire field was a peat bog and burned brightly through most of the year in 1937. New residents on Elm Street had a clear view of the Packards and DeSotos coursing along Rand Road. The slough might appropriately have been called the "Sludge" at that time; it was a marshy bog interspersed with small, brackish ponds.

By June of 1938, there were still fewer than one-hundred homes in Prospect Heights. Most of these were constructed by the firm of Smith & Dawson, who recieved national attention for their energetic promotion of Federal Housing Administration financing. Smith and Dawson houses were typically two-story brick bungalows with an unfinished attic to allow for future expansion. They sold for an average of \$5,000.00 with a minimum half-acre lot size.

1938 also marked the formation of the Prospect Heights Improvement Association. The first issues to come before P.H.I.A. were the problems of drainage along Elmhurst Road and the posting of speed limit signs. Members of the Association were also concerned with improving phone service. At that time, residents were sharing eight party lines and using crank phones. The new P.H.I.A. was very much a social organization, sponsoring garden competitions, children's parties and family picnics.

Community services grew extensively during the 1940's the Rural Fire Protection District found many men willing to serve. Prospect Heights' first church was founded in 1942 and was known as the Bible Church, later changing its name to the Baptist Church. The congregation met in the Little Red Schoolhouse at Schoenbeck and Palatine until 1951. In 1943, Prospect Heights Community Church sponsored its first Strawberry Social only a few months after the first worship service was celebrated by the new congregation. During the war years, development in Prospect Heights continued to be strong. In 1945, 317 homes had been completed, and a new subdivision, Prospect Manor, was under construction.

The P.H.I.A. Bulletins dating from the 1950's indicate that Prospect Heights had grown sufficiently to be facing the kinds of problems attending heavy and rapid development. The recurring issues are drainage, sanitary disposal, zoning and traffic management. One of the earliest actions of P.H.I.A. in the 1950's was to petition for adequate mail service. At that time homeowners were still picking up their mail at the Variety Store, and the need for a full Post Office was evident. The issue of incorporation first appeared in the early fifties, and quietly died for a lack of interest. Ten years later, indifference to incorporation had turned to active disapproval.

Prospect Heights Woman's Club met for the first time on September 1, 1955. The group immediately turned its energies to the formation of a local library and were successful in creating the present library district in 1957. In 1956, Saint Alphonsus Church opened with one-hundred, twenty-one families, and construction on the present building began in 1957.

Now in our nation's bicentennial year, Prospect Heights is a duly chartered city, boasting fine schools, a modern library, a well-equipped community center and a new fire house. And yet, Prospect Heights in 1976 is not so far removed from its origins of forty years ago. Throughout its history, Prospect Heights has been shaped by an amazingly strong adherence to a few basic principles. One such principle is the idea of minimum government, the idea that most problems can be solved privately and locally without recourse to bureaucracy. Another persistent element that has determined the special character of Prospect Heights is its spirit of volunteerism and enthusiastic community service. Finally there has always been respect in Prospect Heights for the family that takes pride in their home and their own self-sufficiency. This is not to suggest that Prospect Heights is unique-- these same principles were being discussed in our country 200 years ago or so.

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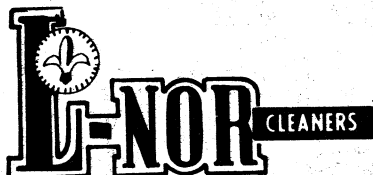
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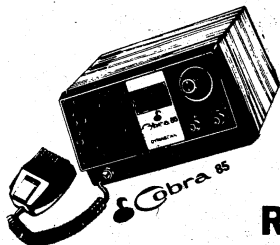
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- Thursday Evening**
7:00 p.m. **Judging of Country Fair Exhibits, awarding of ribbons and prize money**
- Friday Morning**
9:00 - 11:00 a.m. **All exhibits, except winning entries must be removed from display at the center.**
- Friday Evening**
7:00 p.m. **Community marching parade, Ann Sullivan School to Lions Park, program after to present music and awards.**
- Saturday Morning**
9:30 a.m. **Pet parade on the grounds at the Community Center. Pets MUST be leashed or contained. Each child (under 18 years) must be responsible for his or her own pet. Judging in various catagories, ribbons to be presented.**
- 10:00 a.m.** **Baked entries for the Country Fair to be brought to the Community Center.**
- 10:30 a.m.** **Judging of baked entries. Items to be sold after judging. Proceeds to be applied toward awards for children winning entries. Donations for this sale welcome.**
- 12:00 noon -**
5:00 p.m. **Fun Fair, Eisenhower School grounds**
 Greased Pole Contest - Wally Dods Chmn.
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 Log Contest - Ray Grady Chairman
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- 1:00 p.m.** **Richard Blake "A Look at Lincoln" Recreation Center**
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- Saturday Evening**
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	Winning Country Fair Exhibits on Display
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1:00 p.m.	John Mosiman "Musical Paintings" Eisenhower School Gym
2:00 p.m.	Prospect Heights Pacer Baton corp. Library Grounds
2:30 p.m.	Senior Citizens Kitchen Band Library Grounds
3:15 p.m.	E Hart Drill Team Library Grounds
3:30 p.m.	Arlingtones Barber Shop Chorus Library Grounds
4:30 p.m.	McArthur Jr. High Marching Kadettes Library Grounds
5:00 p.m.	Closing Program with flags McArthur Concert Band & Choral Group Balloon Raising Hands across Prospect Heights

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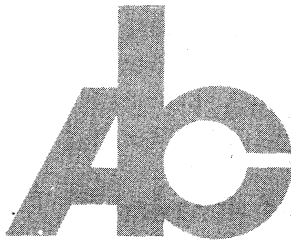
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LENGTH

in	inches	*2.5	centimeters	cm
ft	feet	30	centimeters	cm
yd	yards	0.9	meters	m
mi	miles	1.6	kilometers	km

AREA

in ²	square inches	6.5	square centimeters	cm ²
ft ²	square feet	0.09	square meters	m ²
yd ²	square yards	0.8	square meters	m ²
mi ²	square miles	2.6	square kilometers	km ²
	acres	0.4	hectares	ha

MASS (weight)

oz	ounces	28	grams	g
lb	pounds	0.45	kilograms	kg
	short tons	0.9	tonnes	t

VOLUME

tsp	teaspoons	5	milliliters	ml
Tbsp	tablespoons	15	milliliters	ml
fl oz	fluid ounces	30	milliliters	ml
c	cups	0.24	liters	l
pt	pints	0.47	liters	l
qt	quarts	0.95	liters	l
gal	gallons	3.8	liters	l
ft ³	cubic feet	0.03	cubic meters	m ³
yd ³	cubic yards	0.76	cubic meters	m ³

TEMPERATURE (exact)

°F	Fahrenheit temperature	5/9 (after subtracting 32)	Celsius temperature	°C
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Approximate Conversions
from Metric Measures

Symbol When You Know Multiply by To Find Symbol

LENGTH

mm	millimeters	0.04	inches	in
cm	centimeters	0.4	inches	in
m	meters	3.3	feet	ft
m	meters	1.1	yards	yd
km	kilometers	0.6	miles	mi

AREA

cm ²	square centimeters	0.16	square inches	in ²
m ²	square meters	1.2	square yards	yd ²
km ²	square kilometers	0.4	square miles	mi ²
ha	hectares (10,000 m ²)	2.5	acres	

MASS (weight)

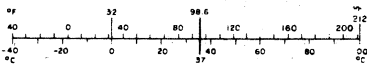
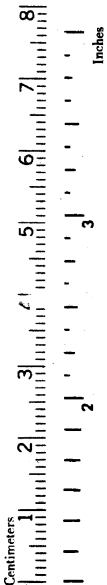
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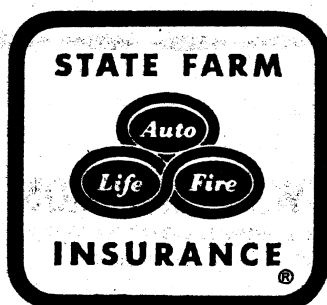
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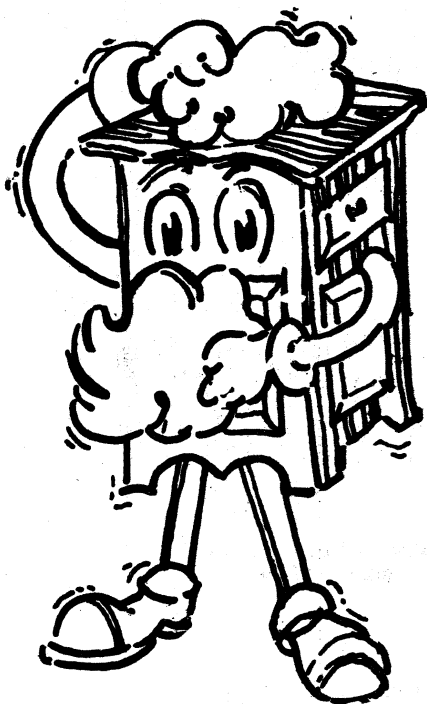
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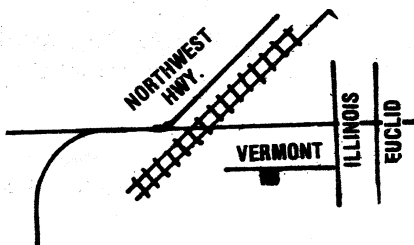
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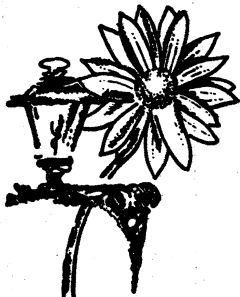
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in	inches	*2.5	centimeters	cm
ft	feet	30	centimeters	cm
yd	yards	0.9	meters	m
mi	miles	1.6	kilometers	km

AREA

in ²	square inches	6.5	square centimeters	cm ²
ft ²	square feet	0.09	square meters	m ²
yd ²	square yards	0.8	square meters	m ²
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	acres	0.4	hectares	ha

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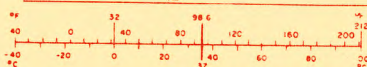
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	short tons (2000 lb)	0.9	tonnes	t

VOLUME

tsp	teaspoons	5	milliliters	ml
Tbsp	tablespoons	15	milliliters	ml
fl oz	fluid ounces	30	milliliters	ml
c	cups	0.24	liters	l
pt	pints	0.47	liters	l
qt	quarts	0.95	liters	l
gal	gallons	3.8	liters	l
ft ³	cubic feet	0.03	cubic meters	m ³
yd ³	cubic yards	0.76	cubic meters	m ³

TEMPERATURE (exact)

°F	Fahrenheit temperature	5/9 (after subtracting 32)	Celsius temperature	°C
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mm	millimeters	0.04	inches	in
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m	meters	1.1	yards	yd
km	kilometers	0.6	miles	mi

AREA

cm ²	square centimeters	0.16	square inches	in ²
m ²	square meters	1.2	square yards	yd ²
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ha	hectares (10,000 m ²)	2.5	acres	

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